

In the Claims:

Claims 1-2 (previously canceled)

3.(currently amended): A pet litter collection bag and spatula comprising:

a flexible walled bag having a first internal compartment, said bag having an inner end and an outer end, said outer end being open forming an access opening;

a single layer spatula having a front surface and a rear surface, a graspable handle attached to said rear surface, said front surface being formed in a scooping edge, said spatula having a top surface, said spatula being formed of a bendable material, said spatula being mounted to said inner end of said bag, said spatula closing said bag ~~such~~ with said front surface located exteriorly of said bag and said rear surface being located within said first internal compartment;

whereby a user's hand and arm is to be inserted through said access opening with the user's hand grasping said graspable handle and then maneuvering said spatula to cause pet litter to be supported on said top surface, then the user reverses the position of said bag locating said spatula and the pet litter within a newly formed second internal compartment of the bag eliminating said first internal compartment; and

said top surface having a roughened area, said roughened area comprising a mass of evenly spaced apart recesses each of which has a closed bottom, said roughened area facilitating the retention of pet litter on said top surface after such has been collected.

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Claim 4 (previously canceled)

Claim 5 (canceled)

Claims 6-11 (previously canceled)

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12.(currently amended) ~~The pet litter collection bag and spatula as defined in Claim 5 wherein:~~

a pet litter collection bag and spatula comprising:

a flexible walled bag having a first internal compartment, said bag having an inner end and an outer end, said outer end being open forming an access opening;

a single layer spatula having a front surface and a rear surface, a graspable handle attached to said rear surface, said front surface being formed in a scooping edge, said spatula having a top surface, said spatula being formed of a bendable material, said spatula being mounted to said inner end of said bag, said spatula closing said bag with said front surface located exteriorly of said bag and said rear surface being located within said first internal compartment;

whereby a user's hand and arm is to be inserted through said access opening with the user's hand grasping said graspable handle and then maneuvering said spatula to cause pet litter to be supported on said top surface, then the user reverses the position of said bag locating said spatula and the pet litter within a newly formed second internal compartment of the bag eliminating said first internal compartment; and

said scooping edge being scalloped forming a series of smoothly contoured bumps which facilitates the picking up of the pet litter.

)The pet litter collection bag and spatula as defined in Claim 1 wherein:

said scooping edge being scalloped which facilitates the picking up of the pet litter:

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said top surface having a roughened area, said roughened area comprising a mass of evenly spaced apart recesses each of which has a closed bottom, said roughened area facilitating the retention of pet litter on said top surface after such has been collected.